

Gateway District Early Intervention Committee

August 14th, 2006

Menifee County Public Library, Frenchburg, KY

Members Present: Lisa Lawson, Pam Mattox, Kim Standafer, Cheryl Miller and Stephanie Bowling

Staff Present: Ronetta Little

| SUBJECT | DISCUSSION | ACTION |
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| Introductions | | |
| Approval of Minutes | June minutes were discussed | Lisa Lawson made the motion to accept the minutes, Ronetta seconded the motion |
| Agency updates | <p>Stephanie Bowling of the CCSHCN shared that the Commission is starting two pilot sights for caring for Medically Fragile Foster Children. Stephanie thought one sight selected was the Prestonsburg clinic. She shared that at these pilot sights, all care for these children would be provided, and coordinated. Stephanie thought it would be about a year before the services for these children would be provided across the state.</p> <p>Kim-Several schools in Morgan Co. will be consolidating over the next two years which will bring a lot of changes to Morgan Co. schools</p> <p>Lisa Lawson HANDS is accepting referrals in Montgomery Co.</p> <p>Cheryl Miller- HANDS is planning on adding a Depression screening piece to their curriculum. HANDS has received a grant to address maternal depression. The Christmas Gala will be December 1 (Dec. 2 is the snow date). HANDS would like to partner with First Steps s and have all the families attend.</p> | |
| Training Update | The committee reviewed the evaluations | The committee decided to explore possible |

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| | from the May DEIC training. The DEIC felt overall the training was a success. The committee would like to have another training in the Spring. Most members felt it would give more time for planning, and several conferences were already scheduled for Fall 2006. Training topics the DEIC felt would benefit early childhood service providers included DCBS services, MEDICAID, Child Development, and Discipline and Behavior. | trainers, and talk with Annette about trainers, then choose topics and decide on a date at the next DEIC meeting |
| Financial Update | The committee discussed the budget and decided that the 2005-2006 budget worked well for planned activities | Pam Mattox made a motion to keep the budget the same for 2006-2007: 100 for University Support, 550 for Child Find, and 350 for Training and Guest Speakers, for a total of 1000. Cheryl Miller seconded the motion |
| Transition | The DEIC said the current Inter-Agency agreement is working well, no action needed at this time. HANDS shared they feel they have a gap in services because their service to children ends at age 2. The HANDS staff shared they would really like to serve children until they are three. | |
| Provider Recruitment | Cheryl Miller suggested a potluck, or informational meeting for potential providers. She shared the DEIC should do this soon, because of the crucial needs. The DEIC felt this was a good idea | No action was taken on the final planning of a potluck/meeting for potential providers |
| Child Find | Ronetta attended several of the “Back to | |

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| | School Bashes” in the region, including Rowan County on August 4 th . | |
| First Steps Updates | Pam Mattox shared that Debbie McKenzie has resigned as Program Evaluator from MSU. She also shared that on Sept. 14 th there will be an ICC meeting by teleconference at West Liberty. The meeting will be at 10:00 am | Pam Mattox and Ronetta Little will report for the Gateway DEIC at the ICC meeting |
| POE report | Ronetta shared now that contracts are all in, the POE is currently gathering all the information about current First Steps providers and will present at the next DEIC. | |
| Next Meeting | The DEIC discussed that because only a few members were in attendance today, she should poll all members by e-mail to determine if the DEIC should keep the same meeting date. The DEIC also discussed that because of budget constraints, and gas prices, the committee should probably continue to meet bi-monthly | The next DEIC date scheduled is 10:00am on October 9 th in Frenchburg. |